(b) to (d) The visit provided a useful opportunity for an exchange of views on international issues and bi-ateral matters of mutual interest. During the visit th. e following three Memoranda of Understanding were signed:

(i) Agreement on a concessional credit of US $ 250 million for use in the Energy Sector; (ii) Development Project for Maintenance Centre at the Regional Engineering College, Srinagar; (iii) Grant portion of Farakka Super Thermal Power Project. The visit contributed towards the strengthening $_0$f bilateral relations between the two countries.

Resignation of the Chief Justice oi Calcutta High Court

3108. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is *a* fact that the Chief Justice of Calcutta High Court has recently resigned; and

(b) if so the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY" OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI HANS RAJ BHARDWAJ). (a) and (b) The Chief Justice of the Calcutta High Court,, in Ms letter dated 12th February, 1988 addressed to the President of India, has sought premature voluntary retirement with effect from 2nd May, 1988, on account of the illness of his wife.

Pollution of Siachen Glacir

3109. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHO WDHURY; Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item published in the Tribune dated the 11th February, 1988 to the effect that Siachen Glacier is faced with the threat of pollution; and

(b) if so, what step-; are being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes, Sir. Government is aware of the pollution problem at the Sia-

len Glacier.

. (b) Defence Research and Development Organisation is engaged in the development Of a suitable system for disposal of human waste.

Sanctioned strength of IAS/IPS officers

3110. SHRI PUTTAPAGA RADHA-KRISHNA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the sanctioned strength of IAS, IPS, and other All India and Central Services Officers as on 1st February, 1988;

(b) the number of such oncers as on that date; and

(c) the break-out of officers according to their home State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHI-DAMBARAM): (a) Information relating to the sanctioned strength of All India Services as on 1. 2. 1988 is as under: —

Indian Administrative Service	5344
Indian Police Service	3144
Indian Forest Service	2363

In regard to Central Services, similar information is not centrally maintained.

(b) Number of officers in position as on 1. 2. 1988: —

Indian Administrative Service	4702
Indian Forest Service	1885

Information relating to IPS is being compiled and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) Information is being compiled and will be laid on the Table of the House.